

REMARKS

Claims 1-11 are pending in the application and have been identified as being allowable subject to overcoming the objection to the specification.

The specification is objected to as failing to provide antecedent basis for “an unobstructed path exists in a plane perpendicular” as recited in the claims.

In response, applicants have amended the specification as noted above to include express antecedent basis. Applicants respectfully submit that such amendments do not raise any issues of new matter. Such amendments are supported within the context of the specification itself, as well as in Figs. 1 and 3.

Accordingly, applicants respectfully request that the objection to the specification be withdrawn.

All claims 1-11 are therefore believed to be allowable and the application is believed to be in condition for allowance. A prompt action to such end is earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner feel that a telephone interview would be helpful to facilitate favorable prosecution of the above-identified application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number provided below.

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Should a petition for an extension of time be necessary for the timely reply to the outstanding Office Action (or if such a petition has been made and an additional extension is necessary), petition is hereby made and the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees (including additional claim fees) to Deposit Account No. 18-0988.

Respectfully submitted,

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